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LABOUR COURTS AND TRIBUNALS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Labour Courts and Tribunals functioning in the country as on date, State-wise;

(b) whether a large number of cases are pending in courts for more than ten years as on date;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and Court-wise;

(d) the steps taken by the Government for speedy disposed of said cases; and

(e) the extent of success achieved by the Government through the steps taken?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) to (c):- As per the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 an Appropriate Government can set up Labour Courts and Industrial Tribunals for resolution of Industrial Disputes. In respect of Industrial Disputes arising in the Central Sphere, Central Government is the appropriate Government for setting up the Central Government Industrial Tribunal-cum-Labour Courts (CGIT-cum-LCs). The details of State Labour Courts in all the States are not centrally maintained. There are 22 CGIT-cum-Labour Courts in different parts of the country. The details of number of cases pending for more than ten years in respective CGITs-cum- Labour Courts are at Annexe-I.

(d) & (e): Five new CGITs have been set up during X Five Year Plan, thereby, increasing the number of CGITs from 17 to 22. A new plan scheme of 'Holding of Lok Adalat as an alternative Grievance Redressal Mechanism' has also been introduced during X Five Year Plan. The steps taken by the Government has resulted in disposal of more number of cases. At the same time, there has been increase in awareness among workers with respect to their rights.